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SUBJ: WEST GERMAN GRANT TO OMVS

1. WEST GERMAN MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION
ERHARD EPPLER VISITED DAKAR APRIL 2-3, WAS RECEIVED
BY PRESIDENT SENGHOR, COOPERATION MINISTER OUSMANE
SECK, AND PRIME MINISTER ABDOU DIOUF, THE LATTER
HOSTING A DINNER IN EPPLER'S HONOR.

2. GERMAN CHARGE TOLD EMBOFF EPPLER ANNOUNCED GERMANY
WOULD GRANT OMVS 40 MILLION DM (3.7 BILLION FRANCS
CFA) TO BE APPLIED TOWARD ANY COMBINATION OF PROJECTS
AGREED ON BY MEMBER COUNTRIES. HE NOTED GERMAN GRANT,
TOGETHER WITH 2.5 BILLION CFA PREVIOUSLY OFFERED
IN AUGUST 1973 GOS BY SAUDI ARABIA TOWARDS DELTA DAM
PROJECT, AND AMOUNTS EXPECTED TO BE OFFERED BILATERALLY
BY FRENCH, WOULD BE FAR MORE THAN ENOUGH TO BUILD
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DELTA DAM. HOWEVER, GERMANS RESISTED SENEGALESE

SUGGESTIONS THE 40 MILLION DM BE ALLOCATED AMONG THREE COUNTRIES PRECLSEH IN ORDER TO PLACE ONUS ON OMVS MEMBERS TO SET THEIR OWN PRIORITIES IN COMMON.

3. WHEN QUERIED AS TO POSSIBLE FED CONTRIBUTION, CHARGE SAID MINISTER EPPLER HAD EXPRESSED VIEW THERE UNLIKELY BE A THIRD FED, THAT SWING IS TOWARD BILATERAL AID BY INDIVIDUAL EUOPEAN COUNTRIES.

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED HINTS OF SIMILAR VIEWS ON LACK OF FUTURE FOR FED FROM ITALIAN AMBASSADOR, WHO ALSO FEELS EUROPEANS WILL WISH TO MOVE TOWARD BILATERAL AID, PICKING THEIR RECIPIENTS TO SERVE INDIVIDUAL DONOR ENDS. ONE WONDERS IF CURRENTLY STRAINED UK-EEC RELATIONS MAY ALSO HAVE NEGATIVE BEARING ON FUTURE OF EEC-AFRICAN NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH WERE TO RESULT IN THIRD FED.
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